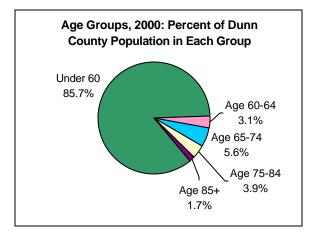
Dunn County's Older Population

A summary of data from the U.S. Census, 2000

Population:

The proportion of people age 65 and older in Dunn County is lower than that of the state as a whole (11.2% versus 13.1%). The rate of growth in the older population since 1990 has been slower in this county than in the state as a whole (3.7% versus 7.9%). In all, 4,475 people in this county are age 65 or older, and 675 of these are age 85 or older. Dunn County's average (or median) age is 30.6 years, compared to a statewide median of 36.0 years.

Dunn County: Population and Change Since 1990						
	2000 Census		1990 Census		Change: 1990-2000	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% Change
Total, All Ages	39,858		35,909		3,949	11.0%
Persons 60 and over	5,705	14.3%	5,618	15.6%	87	1.5%
Persons 65 and over	4,475	11.2%	4,316	12.0%	159	3.7%
Persons 85 and over	675	1.7%	555	1.5%	120	21.6%



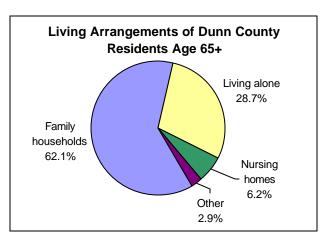
Race:

A large majority (99.5%) of Dunn County's 65 and over population is white. On average, the county's minority groups are younger than whites. Dunn County African Americans have a median age of 22.3 years, and the median age of Hispanics/Latinos here is 21.7 years. Whites, in contrast, average 31.4 years.

Living Arrangements:

Of the 14,337 households in Dunn County, 3,025 include at least one person age 65 or older (21.1% of all households). A total of 2,856 housing units in the county have a "household head" aged 65 or older, and 75.9% of these are owner occupied (the rest are rented).

A majority (62.1%) of the older population lives in "family households" containing at least two people related by blood or marriage, but another 28.7% of people 65 or older live alone. Of those older people in family households, 3.2% are living in the home of one of their children. A total of 279 people age 65 and older live in Dunn County nursing homes (6.2% of all those in this age group). A very small number of the county's older residents live in nonfamily households or in other institutions.



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 1.

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